

a second side piece for applying over said second nasal passage, the second side piece having a plurality of spaced-apart second detachable contact locations; and

a bridge piece comprising a strip, the strip including a first lateral region and a second lateral region for attaching and detaching said first lateral region to said first side piece and said second lateral region to said second side piece, the first lateral region engaging the first side piece at the plurality of spaced-apart first detachable contact locations, and the second lateral region engaging the second side piece at the plurality of spaced-apart second detachable contact locations.

12 Sub Hd 23. (Amended) The support device according to claim 10 wherein the major longitudinal dimension is about 6-14 cm.

Sub Hd 27. (Amended) The nasal support device of claim 24, wherein the first protrusion comprises an apex.

28. (Amended) The nasal support device of claim 24, wherein the first protrusion is symmetrically disposed along the center longitudinal axis.

Please add new claims 38-40.

Sub Hd 38. (New) A support device for supporting tissues overlying a first and second nasal passage of a horse, said device comprising:

a first side piece for applying over said first nasal passage;

a second side piece for applying over said second nasal passage; and

a bridge piece comprising at least two lift members, each of the lift members including a first lateral region and a second lateral region for attaching and detaching said first lateral region to said first side piece and said second lateral region to said second side piece, the first lateral region of each lift member engaging the first side piece at a plurality of spaced-apart first detachable contact locations, and the second lateral region of each lift member engaging the second side piece at a plurality of spaced-apart second detachable contact locations.

39. (New) The support device of claim 38, wherein each of the lift members comprises a strip.

40. (New) A support device for supporting tissues overlying a first and second nasal passage of a horse, said device comprising:

a first side piece for applying over said first nasal passage;

a second side piece for applying over said second nasal passage; and

a bridge piece comprising a strip, the strip including a first lateral region and a second lateral region for attaching and detaching said first lateral region to said first side piece and said second lateral region to said second side piece, the first and second lateral regions of the bridge piece attaching to the first and second side pieces using velcro, the first lateral region engaging the first side piece at a plurality of spaced-apart first detachable contact locations, and the second lateral region engaging the second side piece at a plurality of spaced-apart second detachable contact locations.